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Even the tobacco smoked by the crooked heads of Europe now bears the almost universal label "Morgan's."

Honolulu has no occasion to raise its voice against the death of good theatricals while the Waldorf company is in town.

The public is anxiously awaiting Candidate Krause's announcement of who made the proposition to him for a graft on the Commissioner of Agriculture salary.

It is to be hoped that it is safe to presume the morning paper is keeping close watch to prevent A. S. Hartwell penning a bill for assistance in revising the County Bill.

The North Hilo correspondence signed "A Citizen" will be published if the author will forward his name to this office. This paper does not publish anonymous communications.

By postponement to be considered with the County Bill, the Income Tax has had a new lease of life which should be promptly brought to an end when the County Bill finally appears on the working order of the day.

The reappearance of the Hawaiian flag as an official emblem may be deemed by some as an insignificant act of the Republican Legislature, but it will nevertheless meet with general approval. A prouder and more appropriate insignia of the territory could not be secured.

A commission to investigate freight rates will amount to something if its work is taken up on the American plan of seeking information. History of Hawaii's previous Legislatures for years past shows that the appointment of a commission to investigate any problem is a favored means of doing nothing.

Germany's prospective demand for equal tariff favors with Cuba has about the same chance for favorable consideration as the Democratic theoretical demand for free trade. All Germany or the whole of Europe can expect to do is frighten the American manufacturers into opposition to Cuban reciprocity by a threat of discriminating duties.

Judge De Bolt should feel highly elated over the Hawaii Herald's decision that the difference in the results of the Boyd and Wright trials was due to the degree of popularity of the defendants. Aside from its personal details, the struggle of a limb of the press to crawl out of its silly discussion of technicalities in former days is highly amusing.

The Finance Committee of the House need not question the confidence reposed in its chairman when he is requested to scan the whole system of taxation and make a comprehensive report in ten days. If Chairman Harris can accomplish the task allotted to him he should resign all legislative and business duties and seek a professorship in most any of the leading universities.

Senator Crabbe has proposed shutting off the introduction of senseless bills and someone else has proposed a censor to cull out unconstitutional features. There is no doubt a large amount of chaff which must be winnowed by every Legislature, but the omnipotent mind that can convince voters that they are not entitled to a hearing has yet to be created in this generation.

Mr. Horner touches on a point in the County Bill which will be amended provided equal representation is the aim of the Legislature. There should be at least one representative on the Board of Supervisors for each district or township as termed by Mr. Horner. Supervisors to be elected at large may be added if deemed advisable, but there should be no gambling on the usefulness of the people or politicians to secure an equal division of Supervisors among the county districts.

"C. B. W." citation of the incidents which brought about the appointment of the Electrical Inspector for Honolulu furnish timely reminders to the legislators having the salary for the inspector under consideration. Past history has proved by sadly gruesome events that Honolulu wires whether electric or telephone have been in such a condition as to demand constant oversight. It would be difficult for the people to invest in a better form of life and fire insurance than is furnished in the salary of the electrical inspector.

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT

By JNO. M. HORNER.

The Republican party platform, upon the above subject reads, "We demand the passage of an Act by the next Legislature establishing county governments in Hawaii modeled after the most advanced and popular systems elsewhere."

A bill has been gotten up in pursuance of the above demand and criticism is invited, and as I had lived most of my life under county governments, and enjoyed a seat as a member of a Board of County Supervisors in one of the most populous counties of the State of California, I looked upon it as a duty I owed the people of these islands to criticize as requested. This I did some weeks ago, and sent communications to an editor; but for some reason they were not printed nor returned, as requested, if not printed.

I was anxious, realizing time was getting short, and I hoped to criticize still further. But as there was no prospect of getting criticisms printed, I had concluded to make no further attempt to criticize the bill. One suggested, "Try the Bulletin," which I did, and the paper appeared promptly with my communication printed in it. So I will now venture according to my best recollection to reproduce my criticism of the bill above referred to. It ran something as below:

Mr. Editor:—Our proposed County Bill is out and criticism invited. Upon examination we find much to commend and some things that should be changed. The first to be changed is the dividing the counties into townships. A Republican county government organization modeled after the most advanced and popular systems elsewhere, requires one and only one Supervisor for each township, and he represents his township in the County Board of Supervisors. He must be a resident of the township he represents. This accords with "the most advanced and popular systems elsewhere." It requires every township to have a representative on the Board of County Supervisors, every county to be represented in the State Legislature, and every State to be represented in Congress. Such is genuine Republicanism.

The bill proposes five Supervisors for each county, which is all right. But the bill gives East Hawaii five Supervisors and only four townships. Oahu and West Hawaii would be all right with one Supervisor for each township. But Maui and Kauai would have six townships each and only five Supervisors.

## DR. SLOGGETT LEAVES FOR HIS NEW WORK

Dr. H. C. Sloggett will be a passenger in the Siberia tomorrow or next day for Shanghai, where the doctor goes to take his new position as general manager and medical director of the Oriental Life Insurance Company. This position places very important responsibilities upon Dr. Sloggett which he has during his eight years residence in Hawaii shown particular capabilities for. It would be difficult to find a better medical director with ability to outline and carry out a strong business-like executive program. Dr. Sloggett stands high in his profession and combines with this a good administrative business head.

During his residence in Honolulu Dr. Sloggett has taken an active and successful part in public affairs related to his profession. He was the originator and organizer of the Honolulu Eye and Ear Infirmary. As medical director he has had associated with him in the business administration leaders in business and social life of the city. He has also been a leading factor in the Microscopical Society and President of the Territorial Medical Association.

As President of the Territorial Board of Health Dr. Sloggett held one of the most difficult administrative offices in the Territory, and carried the city through a crisis which called for the display of careful judgment besides an immense amount of personal work for which he received no financial reward. His administration received the unanimous endorsement of the principal business organizations of the city.

Dr. Sloggett expects to return to Honolulu from time to time as his business will allow to visit his son and daughter who have made their home in the islands. He has a wide circle of friends among all classes, who regret his departure but wish him continued success in his new field.

## "CAID MILE FAITHRE."

Tomorrow will be celebrated by all loyal Irishmen and the "Irish Consul" will be pleased to meet his many friends and acquaintances at the Shamrock and Progress Saloons, where the national dish of pig's head and cabbage will be served gratis. Come one, come all and drink to the health, wealth and prosperity of "Auld Ireland."

## BICYCLE DEMOLISHED.

Hatori, a Japanese hack driver, ran into Willie Sprone this morning while the latter was riding a bicycle. The wheel was demolished and the Japanese was arrested on a warrant charging him with headless driving.

Lo Ho Tuck, charged with arson, will be heard in the Police Court on Wednesday. He was released on furnishing \$500 cash bail.

A shipment of Canadian "Northern Spy" apples just received ex Aorangi at C. J. Day & Co.'s, King street.

sors each. Contention would naturally arise if the bill is enacted as it stands, as to which township of the four should have two Supervisors and which township of the six should have no Supervisor, to avoid prospective hard feeling and injustice, this should be corrected, and as the number of County Supervisors is all right it should be corrected by dividing the counties into five townships each. Then all townships could have a representative on the Board of County Supervisors.

To make a correct number of townships we suggest that Lanai and Laysan on Maui should be one township East Hawaii should have another township carved out of a part of North Hilo and East Hamakua, two plantations with their back country from each, the combination to form one township to be known as "Lanipahoehoe Township."

No doubt some satisfactory way can be found to reduce the proposed six townships of Lanai to five, so all can be properly represented.

We see nothing further to object to until we reach chapter 2, section 14 of the bill and the following words therein, viz: "And shall be elected at large and without regard to the place of residence therein." There would be no more justice in electing County Supervisors at large without regard to his place of residence than to elect members of the Legislature at large or Congressmen at large without regard to his place of residence. Such proceedings would destroy representative government. Every Congressman must represent some particular State or Territory. Every legislator must represent some particular county, and every County Supervisor must represent some particular township of his county and must reside in the township he represents. Such is Republicanism, and such is representative government. If Supervisors were elected at large, not representing any particular township, some townships could and no doubt would have two or more Supervisors and others none. Honolulu could have all the Supervisors of Oahu County, should it so elect, leaving the other part of the county without representation on the Board. The people of Honolulu may not wish to do such an injustice to other townships of the county, but party politicians will rule the roost; and they are not always what they should be when office and other advantages are in sight.

## KAILIMAI CHASED CHINAMAN.

Officer Kailimai had a hot chase after a Chinese vendor of fish this morning. He found the man peddling from a basket and started after him. As soon as the Chinese saw the officer coming, he dropped his fish, the officer secured, together with the vendor's hat. These articles were turned in at the police station.

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From Maui ports, per stmr. Claudine, March 15.—H. E. Cooper, Alfred Cooper, J. P. Cooke, D. Macrae, J. G. Smith, H. E. Hendrick, R. Slaughter, G. B. Robertson, C. Haynes, E. Schott, Mrs. C. H. Landgraf, Loo Wing, wife and six children, Miss J. Stark, A. A. Braymer and wife, E. E. Hartman, A. H. Crook.

From Kauai ports, per stmr. W. G. Hall, March 15.—S. Losser, F. B. Newton, M. M. O'Shughnessy, C. C. Kromhaar, H. P. Baldwin, Dr. C. B. Wood, Miss A. K. Kahale, E. Broadbent, Ching Shia, P. G. Prescott, Lt. Smith, Chong Yuen, P. Puuki, Mrs. H. K. Kahale, E. C. Peters, E. A. Douthett.

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